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- 12. Guiding aid as claimed in claim 11, characterized in that said helically wound spring (20) is provided at its distal end with a rounded terminal element (18).
- 13. Guiding aid as claimed in anyone of the preceding claims, characterized in that said shaft (2) is made of a material having superelastic characteristics.
- 5 14. Guiding aid as claimed in claim 13, characterized in that said shaft (2) is made of superelastic nitinol.
- 15. Guiding aid as claimed in anyone of the preceding claims, characterized in that radiopaque means (20) are provided in the region of said distal end (14) of said shaft (2).
- 10 16. Steerable guide wire comprising a guiding aid as claimed in anyone of claims 1 to 15.
- 17. Steerable pressure sensing wire comprising a guiding aid as claimed in anyone of claims 1 to 15.
- 18. Steerable catheter, in particular steerable balloon catheter, comprising a guiding aid as claimed in anyone of claims 1 to 15.

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